

Agenda – 1/19/16 WWB conference call

1. Summary 11-5-15 Resource Meeting
 - a. Preliminary plan revisions for Pebble Creek West Rotated shared
 - b. Avoids wetland 8 (fen)
 - c. Reduces wetland impacts by 2.6 acres
 - d. Maintains 0.5 acre interior forest habitat
 - e. Tree mitigation voluntary (work with WDNR)
 - f. Brown's Fen protection not required now
 - g. Hardy Woods conservation easement required
 - h. EIS re-evaluation required
 - i. COE permit to be withdrawn and resubmitted as separate permits
2. Pebble Creek West Rotated revision complete
- j. Drawing attached
3. Pebble Creek West Rotated vs. Pebble Creek Far West
 - k. 6.8 acres vs. 4.8 acres wetland impacts
 - l. 0 acres vs. <0.05 acres wetland 8 (fen) impacts
 - m. LEDPA / conservation easement – trying to secure easement with Buzz Hardy; Mr. Hardy getting appraisal; concerned with ability to get easement from Mr. Hardy;
4. COE permit withdrawn – PC West rotated as LEDPA; need Mr. Hardy's consent to easement as condition of permit (woods are more significant than wetland impacts); woods (significant resource) so important that fen can be impacted; additional 2.0 acres impact to farmed wetlands with rotated alignment

Sue: need to look at final design to ensure there are no groundwater impacts to fen from the minor tweaks to rotated alignment

Rather than Far West alternative, can we research similar upland habitat parcel as mitigation? LEDPA was based on that specific upland area, not a different one, per Marie. Getting to LEDPA includes protection of significant upland habitat with easement. DOT saying that protection is a part of mitigation, which is not part of LEDPA determination. Even with No Build, the upland is not protected because owner can do anything to the parcel. Marie: not requiring as part of compensatory mitigation, but to get to LEDPA, DOT is saying that it is significant and should be protected. Craig: what's best for resources in area? Easement from Buzz. Could go farther west and impact fewer wetlands but have far greater impacts to the woods. Need to document, with Far West, not impacting fen, not impacting upland woods that are significant, they will stay in state they are in, but will have greater impacts to lesser quality wetlands.

What happens if he doesn't sign an easement to protect uplands? Mike Seeger has talked with Mr. Hardy extensively in the past. Mike Seeger should not have project-specific discussions with Mr. Hardy, to avoid influencing Buzz. County has appraisal; waiting for Mr. Hardy's appraisal.

County wants back-up plan if Mr. Hardy changes his mind and does not grant easement. Avoided fen and avoided interior forest, but don't yet have interior forest protected for perpetuity; can't mitigate upland forest (per regional planner).

EIS re-eval – underway and should be approved. Public involvement aspects? Approved by FHWA and DOT and sent to cooperating agencies and probably public meeting/public hearing. Comments accepted? FHWA might accept comments on re-evaluation. Need to get legal to weigh in. Jay: need to have Buzz issue resolved before re-eval can be published.

Marie doesn't know what it might mean for the LEDPA if they conservation easement is not secured. Permit-related mitigation (conservation easement) often done after NEPA process done. Ian: need more detailed discussion in-house about LEDPA and conservation easement.

EPA, not COE, requested easement as part of conditional concurrence. ACE: same caveats-upland area be preserved. Buzz's property as resource issue; avoiding resource.

- n. Waukesha County permit submittal target - March 1 - GP
 - o. WisDOT permit submitted August 1 – IP
 - p. After this meeting further discussion with Marie on permit submittals – independent utility
5. Re-evaluation
- q. Re-evaluation complete mid-February
 - r. Public Hearing (45 day posting) vs PIM to be determined
6. Buzz Hardy Easement
- s. Owner getting appraisal now
7. Initial WDNR coordination on tree mitigation started
- t. WDNR identified tree species, planting density, site prep and maintenance

Functional Value	Wetland Type	Alternatives
		Pebble Creek West ROTATED (acre)
W-13 (ADID wetland). No functional value rated as high.	Atypical (farmed) wetland	1.2
W-12 (ADID wetland). No functional value rated as high.	Fresh (Wet) Meadow and atypical (farmed) wetland	0.7
W-11 (ADID wetland). Floral diversity, wildlife habitat, fishery habitat, stormwater attenuation, water quality protection, groundwater, and aesthetic, recreation, and education rated as high.	Shallow Marsh, Southern Sedge Meadow, Fresh (Wet) Meadow, Wet- Mesic Prairie, Shrub-Carr (willow thicket) and second growth Southern Wet to Wet-Mesic Lowland Hardwoods	1.3
W-9 (ADID wetland). Floral diversity, wildlife habitat, fishery habitat, water quality protection, and groundwater rated as high.	Southern Sedge Meadow, Fresh (Wet) Meadow, Shrub-Carr, and second growth, Southern Wet to Wet-Mesic Lowland Hardwoods	0.2
W-8 (ADID wetland). Groundwater rated as high.	Sedge Fen and second growth Southern Wet to Wet-Mesic Lowland Hardwoods	0
W-7 (ADID wetland). Groundwater rated as high.	Fresh (Wet) Meadow, Shrub-Carr (willow thicket), and second growth, Southern Wet to Wet-Mesic Lowland Hardwoods	0.2
W-6 (ADID wetland). No functional value rated as high.	Second growth Southern Wet to Wet-Mesic Lowland Hardwoods	
W-5 (ADID wetland). No functional value rated as high.	Second growth Southern Wet to Wet-Mesic Lowland Hardwoods	0.3
W-4 (ADID wetland). Floral diversity, wildlife habitat, fishery habitat, water quality protection, groundwater rated as high.	Shallow Marsh, Southern Sedge Meadow, atypical (mowed) wetland, Fresh (Wet) Meadow, and second growth Southern Wet to Wet-Mesic Lowland Hardwoods	1.1
W-1 (ADID wetland). Wildlife habitat fishery habitat. Water quality protection. Groundwater rated as high.	Shallow Marsh. Fresh (Wet) Meadow. Shrub-Carr, and second growth Southern Wet to Wet-Mesic Lowland hardwoods.	1.80
TOTALS		6.8

Pebble Creek West (acre)	Pebble Creek Far West (acre)
1.2	0.7
2.5	0.6
0.9	0.4
1.0	0.5
0.4	less than 0.05
0.2	
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0.3	0.2
1.1	1.1
1.8	1.3
9.4	4.8

